# CITY OF CANTON PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



**2021 YEAR IN REVIEW** 

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Transitioning into some type of normalcy in 2021, as a department we learned to cope with a variety of issues that presented themselves. Because of the hardworking, dedicated and flexible members within the department, we overcame those obstacles and were still able to maintain a quality service to City residents.

Our biggest challenges still come from the realization that as a department, we are responsible for maintaining close to 1,100 lane miles of roadway with 32 full time equipment operators. In comparison to neighboring communities, they have approximately 70 to 80 percent fewer lane miles than the City of Canton. Along with that during 2021, the transition was made between Collections/Sewer Department and the Public Works Department on the maintenance of the City's storm sewers. Even with minimal resources within the department, we were able to repair 226 catch basins throughout the City.

As we continue to gather and establish reliable supporting data throughout year, one can visually see our yearly side by side comparisons. This data can then be used as a baseline for future growth not only within the department, but also within the city.

Though the general scope of our work load does not change, even with the addition of maintaining the City's storm sewers, the daily order in which we get it accomplished does. One thing for sure, being flexible in scheduling is one of our major qualities.

As always, looking toward 2022, as we will continue to strive at providing quality services for the community, while looking for efficient and effective ways to complete those services.

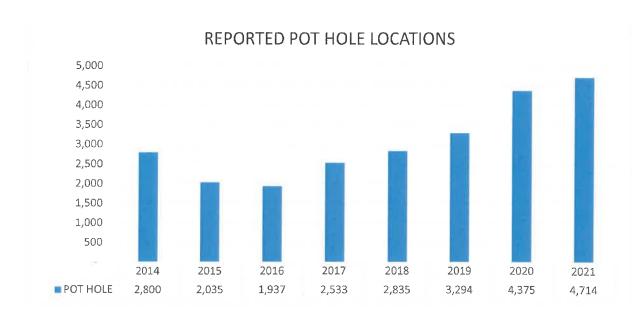
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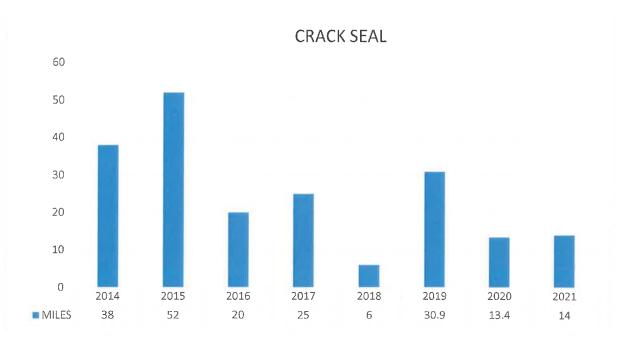
The objective of the City of Canton Street Department is to provide roadway safety and to maintain the city streets to the best of our ability. Typically, the following operations are performed on a yearly basis:

Pothole Repairs	Snow & Ice Control
Street Sweeping	Paving Repairs (Mill & Fill)
General Street Maintenance	Mowing of Right of Ways
Roadside Ditching	Road Base Repairs
Catch Basin Repairs	1

The following bar graphs represent the above mentioned operations that are performed yearly. As we look through the graphs, tracking the progression throughout the years will be a great way to compare growth and effectiveness.





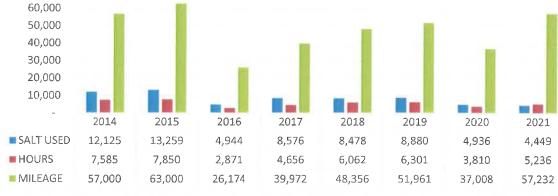












**SNOW & ICE REMOVAL** 

70,000







Not only are our tasks interdepartmental, we also have a variety of other tasks as well as assisting a variety of City Departments in some daily tasks. Below are a few, but not limited to, some of our other tasks.

- Assist in Beautify A Neighborhood (BAN)
- Clean up of the Hall of Fame Parade
- Assist with Downtown events
- Locate and erect the City Christmas tree in the Market Street South Plaza



Even with today's harsh economic situation, the Street Department will continue maintaining our level of service to the citizens of Canton.

I would like to thank the Street Department Personnel for their hard work in 2021. With 2022 upon us, it looks to be another challenging year within the department. One of many challenges that we will be willing to accept along with continued change.

#### STREET DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

The Street Department consists of 37 full time employees.

- Superintendent of Public Works
- Assistant Superintendent of Public Works
- 1 Foreman
- 2 Administrative Assistants
- 32 Equipment Operators

These employees provide city residents and visitors with a safe and enjoyable experience as they travel throughout the City of Canton.

The Street Department is comprised of personnel with multiple skills in a variety of construction fields. These diversified skills allow us to do well in our daily tasks.

#### 2022 STREET DEPARTMENT GOALS

- Continued work the Snow and Ice Manual for both Departmental use and also for educational purposes for City Administration, City Council and Citizens of Canton
- Re-evaluate the Snow and Ice District map for optimal coverage
- Implementation of a new Citywide Residential snow removal policy
- Evaluate and implement vehicle/equipment replacement policy
- Evaluate personnel levels and department structure
- Continue to provide safe and effective street maintenance to the best of our abilities

## CANTON Street Department